

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 8 and 9 as follows:

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1. (cancelled)
2. (cancelled)
3. (cancelled)
4. (cancelled)
5. (cancelled)
6. (cancelled)
7. (cancelled)

8. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing at least three bags, each of the bags having two closure strips and a cursor slidably mounted on said two closure strips, the closure strips and the cursor being identical between the bags, said method comprising:

sliding each cursor along uppermost edges of the closure strips at a respective distance from one end of the closure strips with the cursor of one bag contacting the uppermost edge of at least one of the two closure strips of an adjacent bag, and

slidingly positioning the cursors with the distances being different between every two adjacent and successive bags of said at least three bags and with the cursor in a middle bag of every three consecutive bags contacting one of the closure strips of both bags on opposite sides of the middle bag.

9. (currently amended) ~~An installation~~ A system for manufacturing bags, each of the bags including two closure strips and a cursor slidably mounted on said two closure strips, the ~~installation system~~ comprising

~~means for~~ a positioning device sliding each cursor along uppermost edges of the closure strips at a respective distance from one end of the closure strips, the ~~sliding means slide~~ portioning device slides the cursors of every two adjacent and successive bags of at least three successive bags to distances that are different with the cursor of one bag contacting the uppermost edge of at least one of the two closure strips of an adjacent bag and with the cursor in a middle bag of every three consecutive bags contacting one of the closure strips of both bags on opposite sides of the middle bag.

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